KNEW NOT WHAT HE DID

THE WRITER OF THE MURCHISON

LETTER DISCOVERED.

How the Document Became a Great Cam-

ticipate the Important Consequences.

paign Weapon-Its Author Did Not An-

NEW YORK, Jan. S .- The World's Los

Angeles, Cal., correspondence, in refer-

ence to the discovery of George Osgoodby

as the author of the famous Murchison

"For some days after the letter was made public Osgoodby was so frightened that he was brought to Los Angeles and

kept concealed. He claims that, having himself conceived the idea, he wrote the

letter at home one evening in the presence

of his wife. Next day he took it to Po-mona and showed it to T. G. Haley, whose

name has been prominent in connection

letter, says:

of his wife.

IN CONGRESS TO-DAY.

THE DEADLOCK IS BROKEN IN THE HOUSE.

The Resolution to Change the Rules Re committed by a Vote of 120 to 117-The Eastern Branch Bridge Petition Presented in the Senate.

In the Senate to-day Mr. Faulkner presented the petition of James L. Barbour and 1,000 other citizens, praying for the passage of the bill providing for bridge across the Eastern Branch from the foot of South Capitol street to

The bill was passed providing that in cases where a two-cent stamp is omitted from a letter bearing a special-delivery stamp the letter shall be delivered.

A resolution was agreed to calling upon the Secretary of the Treasury for a copy of the manuscript report upon fraud in sugar at New York and Philadelphia, also to comply with the resolution of March 1, relative to the evasion of sugar

duties in New York.

Mr. Sherman, by request, introduced a bill changing the modes of electing

Mr. Riddleberger presented a resolu-tion of the State Grange of Virginia demanding that agriculture be protected by a tariff and that a bounty of 55 per cent. be paid upon all agricultural exports.

The tariff bill was then called up. The afternoon was consumed in consideration of the tariff.

HOUSE.

The Secretary of the Treasury submitted to the House to-day an estimate of appropriation for a fog signal on Mount Desert Rock, Maine.

Also an estimate of an appropriation of \$65,000 for a lighthouse tender for the Ninth and Eleventh districts.

Also an estimate for a lighthouse on

the St. Croix River, Maine.

The Secretary of the Interior submitted a recommendation from Indian Com-missioner Enwright, of an appropriation of \$12,000 for the support of the friendly Sioux Indians of Minnesota. Bishop Whipple of Minnesota has been warmly

vocating the appropriation.

The Commissioner of Agriculture submitted a report of the expenditures in his Department for the fiscal year.

Department for the fiscal year.

Mr. Compton presented the petition of Harriet M. Herrick, praying for the passage of a bill enabling her to convey the title to sublot D, in square 509, in Washington, without the signature of her husband, who she says has been absent over a year and his whereabouts unknown.

The resolution from the Committee on The resolution from the Committee on Rules then came up and the previous question on the passage of the resolution ordered. Pending this a motion was made to recommit the resolution, which was agreed to by a vote of 120 yeas to 117 nays and the deadlock was broken.

The Committee on Printing claimed

the floor for an hour under special order set for this day, and proceeded to call up bills making provision for the printing of the House and Senate

The Senate in Secret Session. In the secret session of the Senate vesterday

afternoon there was a long and animated dissussion of Mr. Edmunds' resolution opposing the interference of any foreign Government with the Panama Canal. The Senate closed its doors because of the presence in the gal-leries of the members of several of the foreign legations, and because of the announcement n the papers yesterday morning, through the medium of a cablegram from Paris, that the French people did not like the attitude of the Senate toward their pet project, as explained by the debate in the Sanate chamber Saturday The discussion of the resolution had but just begun, when Mr. Edmunds, observing the presence of the diplomats in the galleries, moved that the Senate proceed to the considstation of the question in secret session. The motion was carried and for five hours the Members of the Senate debated the resolu-tion with closed doors and no official reporters present to preserve their speeches for the Congressional Record.

Mr. Gray, who was speaking when the Sen-

ate went into secret session, continued his remarks in support of his amendment. He was followed by Mr. Edmunds, who spoke at some length, by Mr. Evarts, Mr. Morau, Mr. Reagan, Mr. Spooner and Mr. Eustis. The Senator last Mr. Spooner and Mr. Eustis. The Senator last named delivered a very long and very interesting speech. Mr. Hoar and some other members of the Senate spoke briefly. There was little opposition to the principles of the resolution. The question of its timeliness was raised and was debated at some length. Some opposition was developed on the score that the effect of the resolution would be to endanger, at this critical time the interests of the thousands who had invested their money in the canal enterprise.

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Finally a vote was taken on the amendment proposed by Mr. Gray, and it was rejected without division. The resolution was, without opposition, amended by the substitution of the word "Government" for the word "Con gress" in two places. The yeas and nays were called for on the passage of the resolution. The result of the vote was 49 yeas, 3 nays. Those voting in the negative were Mr. Blackburn, Mr. Vance and Mr. Hampton.

During the debate, the Demogratic leaders During the debate, the Democratic leaders suggested that they had lost one day that was to have been devoted for the discussion of the tariff. It was agreed by the Republican Senators that the date for the taking of a vote on the tariff bill be fixed at January 22, at 1 o'clock, instead of January 21.

The House District Committee at its meet ing this morning decided to report favorably Mr. Smith's bill to regulate the pawnbroker's business in the District. The original bill is amended in several particulars, and provides that each pawnbroker shall pay a license of \$100 and give a bond for \$5,000 to insure fathcompliance with the laws regulating the

charged. For amounts under \$25.24 per cent.
may be charged, and for amounts above that
12 per cent. The bill also provides that the
dealer shall take a description of the person
from whom the pawned article is obtained.

How They Heard the Proceedings. A story was current at the Capitol to-day that during the Democratic caucus last night two Western correspondents eluded the vigil-ance of the Capitoi Police and gained access to the upper corridor. Holding a door ajar they proceeded to listen to the interesting debate going on down below, and took it down in shorthand to sen I to their papers. While engrossed in this business they were surprised by Deputy Sargeant-at-Arms Ike Hill, who

The House Democratic Caucus, The Democrats of the House had a caucus last night and after a long debate adopted the following resolution:

on Mondays for suspension of the rules no dilatory motions or propositions will be made by the Democratic party for the purpose of preventing suspension of the rules; and that the resolution for exacuting the rules, now pending before the House, be recommitted to

Capitol Notes.

Senator Cameron has introduced a bill "to pariest the sanitary service of the United States." It provides that the Surgeon-Gen-eral may detail to the Bureau of the Marine Hospital Service such additional officer to act ander his discretion as registrar of vital statisties as may be from time to time required.
Within sixty days after the passage of the and after a few part the Surgeon-Goneral is to procure a site on which he is to cause to be creeted a building will be examined.

ing to be used as a United States laboratory for the purpose of conducting scientific investigations in the interest of the public health, and the Surgeon-General is to detail medical officers from time to time, with one hospital steward and two attendents, to conduct the laboratory. An appropriation of \$30,000 is provided.

Senator Hawley has presented the petition of the corset manufacturers of the country ask-ing that the phraseology of a paragraph of the tariff bill be changed. This paragraph provides that horns and part of horns, including horn strips and tips manufactured, shall be admitted

free.

The House Committee on Invalid Pensions has agreed to report favorably a bill to increase the pensions of disabled veterans. Under this bill the pensions will be increased as follows: For the loss of an arm above the elbow the pension is increased from \$56 to \$42; for the loss of an arm above the velow to \$30 to \$36; for the loss of an arm at the shoulder the pension is increased from \$45 to \$50. The increases provided for the loss of the leg are the same. In case of total inability to perform annual labor the pension is increased to form manual labor the pension is increased to \$50, and for the loss of both arm and leg the pension is increased to \$60.

The Secretary of State has sent to the Senate the result of the election for Presidential electors in the States of Illinois, Colorado, Nebraska and Tennessee.

The President pro tempore has laid before the Senate resolutions adopted at a metting of the citizens of San Miguel County, N. M., December 28, praying the admittance of New Mexico as a State. Schator Mitchell has presented the petition of Jos. Pennig of Sulkville, Ore., asking \$10,000 for the injuries suffered in the Modoc

The Senate Committee on Rules w. hold a meeting this week and it is thought they will decide to strictly enforce the rule regarding the admission to the floor of private secretaries of Senators. Many newspaper correspondents now have access to the floor as "private secretaries," and a strict construction of the rule will debar them.

LATE DEPARTMENT NEWS.

The President sent to the Senate today the following nominations:

Lieutenant Colonel William A. Rucker,
Deputy Paymaster General, to be Colonel and
Assistant Paymaster General.
Major Charles M. Tirrill, Paymaster, to be
Licutenant-Colonel and Deputy PaymasterGeneral, and a number of minor army appointments.

pointments.

Also Charles Baker, of Maine, to be Collector of Customs for the District of Belfast, Me., and George Brinton Wilson of Maine, to be an Assistant Surgeon in the Navy.

In answer to U. S. Treasurer Hyatt's ter about the two \$500 District of Co-iumbia 3.65 per cent. coupon bonds that were sent to the Treasury Department for redemption, when it was discovered that the bonds had been once redeemed and that the numbers had been altered, Comptroller Durham has decided that the bonds could not be redeemed again, and that they were not genuine, as the numbers had been changed.

Mr. Oscar S. Strauss, United States Minister to Turkey, reports to the Sec-retary of State that he has obtained of the Grand Vizir the necessary authoriza-tion for the Bible house at Constantino-ple to print in Turkish 35,000 Bible tracts, consisting of the Psalms, the Proverbs. the four Gospels and the Acts.

The Secretary of the Treasury to-day appointed the following gaugers: Cole-man S. Daniel and Abram T. Boulware of Louisville, Ky.

The National bank notes received to-day by the Treasurer of the United for redemption amount to \$442,000, \$119 , 1 to

Lieutenant F. S. Carter has been ordered to Pittsburg, Pa., to act as steel

Bids for carrying the mails from the City Postoffice to and from the railroad stations and steamboat wharves for the next four years, beginning July next, have been made by the following Washington parties: R. Y. Woodlief, \$11,973; George W. Knox, \$12,987,65; H. C. Slavins, \$13,682; Union Transfer Company, \$14,956.56, and E. J. Travis, \$16,990.

Commodore Walker said to-day he did not know whether the Atlanta would be ordered to Port-au-Prince on Admiral Luce's report or two more ships. At present, he said, the Atlanta was held for the Pacific, but something might turn up that would cause her to be sent anywhere

PATENTS were issued to residents of the District of Columbia to-day as follows: John S. Blankman, sight for fire-arms; Nicholay Jensen, cleaner for slates, blackboards, etc.; Edwin J. Lumley, cigarette machine; Edward S. May, endar, and Augustine I. Ambler, electric train brake apparatus. THE following official changes have

been made in the Department of the Interior: General Land Office-Resignations: William

General Land Office—Resignations: William B. Matthewsyof Virginia, \$1,800; Fleming R. Griffith of Pennsylvania, \$1,600; Miss Alice Wurdemann of New Jersey, \$900.

Patent Office—Transfers: Jonathau S. Dawson of Tenuessee and Miss Laura L. Dodge of the District of Columbia, to Pension Office, at \$900, by promotion from \$720.

Pension Office—Appointments: Mrs. Sarah L. Twiggs of Georgia, \$900 by transfer from

Pension Office—Appointments: Ars. Saran i., Twiggs of Georgia, \$900, by transfer from Freasury Department; Miss Gertrude H. Watt of Illinois and James B. Hayden of Minnesota, \$900. Promotion: Joel A. Tilton Minnesota, \$900. of New Jersey, \$900 to \$1,000.

The Commissioner of Pensions has been advised that Phebe A. Hayes of Ada, Kent County, Mich., was arrested on the 2d instant, upon the charge of presenting a fraudulent claim for pen-After a preliminary hearing before a United States commissioner, she was admitted to bail in the sum of \$800, to appear before the United States court at Grand Rapids Mich., at the March term thereof. He has also been advised that Frank West, of Greenburg. Pa., has been convicted of forgery, in connection with the pension check of Wilson J. Tapper. He was sentenced to the Western Penitentiary for three years and six

The contributions to the Inauguration fund are now \$50,548. Yesterday Pierrepont & Morgan of New York contributed \$1,000.

It is said that the Committee on Decorating will recommend the following awards: F. Aldrich of Brooklyn, N. Y., for decorating the ball-room: — Neal, for floral decorations, and Wash. B. Williams of this city, furnishing the reception rooms for the Fresident and Vice-President-cleet.

A Young Man's Adventure. Benjamin McKenney, colored, was found guilty in the Criminal Court to-dy of an assault on Martin Slough, a young man who had come to this city from Los Angeles on business. The testimony of the Government was that McKenney struck him on the side of the face, and when Slough started in pursuit

fired two shots at him The Court of Inquiry to examine witnesses in the Aqueduct tunnel frauds met tu room 51 in the War Department building this morn-and after a few preliminary steps adjourned till 10:30 o'clock to-morrow, when witnesses

NEWMAN AND HIS TEARS

THE TELEGRAM ON WHICH HE SPECULATED.

How He Tried to Raise the Wind Over the Sorrowful Tidings of the Death of His Child

The trial of Marion D. Newman, who has gained such extensive reputation by his inroads in the hearts of ladies, was tried to-day in the Criminal Court charged with an encroachment on men's pocketbooks.

The indictment charges that he obtained \$100 from the Baltimore Life Insurance Company on the false pretense that his daughter was dead. A. A. Lipscomb appeared for the Government and Campbell Carrington for the de-

Oscar F. Breese of the firm of Breese & Sons of Baltimore was the first witness called, and stated that Newman, under the name of G. W. St. Clair, was under the name of G. W. St. Clair, was employed as a solicitor in Washington to life insurance. The agreement was for three months, commencing September 1, 1888. A letter dated October 18 was produced in court in which St. Clair acknowledged the receipt of a check and said that his daughter was very low and that her death was expected.

that her death was expected.

The next morning Mr. Breese said a telegram was received bringing the news that St. Clair's daughter was dead and they mailed him a check on the Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank for \$100.

The language of the telegram was:
"My daughter bassed away at 4 this morning. Send me check at once.

"G. W. ST. CLAIR." He said that they had guaranteed St. Clair, as special agent, \$150 per month against commissions, and, up to the time of the arrest, they had paid him \$375. On October 9 his account was overdrawn. On cross-examination Mr Breese said they are the statement advanced. On cross-examination Mr Breese said they sometimes advanced money to their agents. On September 7 they had advanced \$150, as he said he wanted to move his family. A letter that accompanied that remittance stated that it would be charged to St. Clair's account. He presumed that a similar letter accompanied the \$100 remittance charged in sary, and a permanent board of subserved in the sary, and a permanent board of subserved in the sary, and a permanent board of subserved in the sary, and a permanent board of subserved in the sary, and a permanent board of subserved in the sary, and a permanent board of subserved in the same and the same accompanies to their agents. On September 7 they had advanced \$100 to the assessment be left entirely to the assessor, and that he be held wholly responsible for the proper performance of that work, and especially not subject to interference from any outside quarter; that he have the proper performance of that work, and especially not subject to interference from any outside quarter; that he have the proper performance of that work is subject to interference from any outside quarter; that he have the proper performance of that work are proper performance of that work is subject to interference from any outside quarter; that he have the proper performance of the work of assessment be left entirely to the assessment be left entirely to the assessor, and that he be held wholly responsible for the proper performance of that work, and the proper performance of the work of assessment be left entirely to the assessor, and that he be held wholly responsible for the proper performance of that work are proper performance of that work of assessment the left entirely to the assessor, and that he had a permanent be left entirely to the assessor, and that he had a permanent be left entirely to the assessor, and that he had a permanent be left entirely to the assessor, and that he had a permane panied the \$100 remittance charged in the indictment,
At this juncture Mr. Carrington said

to the Court that considering Mr. Breese's testimony, in his opinion, the venue in this case was improperly laid, and that this court had not jurisdiction. The point was, that the letter being sent from here to Baltimore and the money being sent from Baltimore here, the money was really obtained in Baltimore, and accordingly the case should not be tried in this jurisdiction.

After hearing argument Judge Mont-gomery said that the question was, a formidable one, and that he would pass David Rittenhouse testified that

David Rittenhouse testified that a check was paid.

Mrs. Emma V. Sheridan, a well-dressed woman, said that Mr. St. Clair was living at her house on the 9th of October. He had no sick daughter—in fact, no daughter of any kind—at her house. She did not hear him say anything about a sick daughter, although he was worried sometimes about not receiving letters from his family.

ing letters from his family.

With reference to the point as to jurisdiction Judge Montgomery said that he was disposed to think that the offense of Among the President's callers to-day were Senators Blackburn. Plumb and Barbour, with Rear Admiral Worden; Congressmen Wilson of Minnesota, Crain, Felix Campbell, McMillin, Caine, Lee, with Colonel Smith, U. S. Attorney for New Mexico, and Colonel Gildersieeve of New Mexico, Governor West of Utah.

Bile for exercising the matter from the court in General Term.

in the Court in General Term. Detective Raff's testimony was that Newman in conversation with him ad mitted that no child had died, but said he had a right to the money because he was employed by the company. When he went through the papers in Newman's room he found letters signed as from his daughter, "Pearl." Newman told him "Pearl. that he had no children of his own; that this was a stepdaughter. He thought as much of her as though she were his own child. He was then about to send her s

The jury took the case at 2:05 o'clock.

A Flourishing Society.

The annual meeting of the National Asso-ciation for the Relief of Colored Women and Children was held this morping at the resi-dence of Mrs. Pomeroy, No. 1339 K street, at which the following officers were chosen for

which the following officers were chosen for the present year:
President, Mrs. M. S. Pomeroy; vice-president, Miss L. S. Swan, treasurer, Mrs. A. N. Shad; secretary, Mrs. H. A. Cook; board of managers, Mrs. E. G. Dole, Mrs. C. A. S. Hall, Mrs. A. N. Purvis, Mrs. E. W. Lynch, Mrs. J. W. Scudder, Mrs. L. S. Doolittie, Mrs. S. E. Baker, Mrs. H. P. Ward and Mrs. H. Doughas, The association cared for 150 persons in the past year and has at present 128 in the Home. There is a balance on hand of \$5,608, and the lady managers feel much encouraged to continue their good work. tinue their good work.

Elections This Afternoon. The National Metropolitan Bank to-day elected directors for the en-suing year as follows: John W. Thompson, Jedediah H. Baxter, William Thompson, Nathaniel Wilson, Henry A. Willard, James E. Fitch, J. Ormond Wilson, N. W. Burchell and Henry Semken.

The Columbia Bank stockholders elected directors as follows to-day: Charles B. Bailey. W. E. Barker, A. T. Britton, C. C. Duucan-son, John Joy Edson, Albert F. Fox, J. E. Herrell, Benjamin F. Leighton, Hugh McCul-loch, Crosby S. Noyes, M. M. Parker, O. G. Staples, George Truesdell, B. H. Warner and H. K. Willard.

Burial Permits Issued. Burial permits have been issued by the Health Officer for the past twenty-four hours

wm. T. Hagerty, 28 years; Morris Brody, 2 years; John Henry Logue, 43 years; Elsie Rose Tucker, I year; Patrick McMamee, 65 years; Samuel Coruwall, Syoars; Charles R. Williams, 3 months; George R. Kerr, 4 months; Fritz Battenfield, 52 years, and the following colored: Maria Bell, 50 years; Thomas Butter, 50 years; Paniel Sharchter, 55 years, Mary Wood. years; Daniel Slaughter, 55 years; Mary Wood, 80 years; Lowens Scott, 25 years; Daniel Simms, 1 year; Mamie Williams, 7 years; Richard C. Young, 44 years; Prectila Williams, 2 months; John Monroe, 20 years; Julia Tru-man, 91 years; Jenny Short, 3 years.

Colonel Tracy's Trial. The case of James G. Tracy, charged with assault to kill Captain John B. Tanner, on July 11th last, was placed on trial in the Criminal Court to-day.

THE COURT RECORD.

Equity Court-Justice Cox. Queen vs. Brooks; sale confirmed. Criminal Court - Justice Montgomery. Robert McKennay, assault to kill; verdict guilty of simple assault. Datlas M. De Hughes, alias Marion D. Newman, alias G. M. St. Clair; false pretenses. Court in General Term-Chief Justice,

Justices Hagner and James. U. S. Ex. Rel. Nello B. Stevens & Co., vs John C. Black, &c., argued. Circuit Court-Justice Hagner

Clagett, administrator, vs. R. & D. R. R. Co.; verdiet for plaintiff, \$5,000 interest costs.
Jurors discharged for the term.

ANOTHER SURPRISE.

WASHINGTON, TUESDAY EVENING, JANUARY 8, 1889.

Sub-Division of Twining City Claimed to be Diegal. It came to light at the Commissioners' office to-day that Twining City, the new

sub-division on the left bank of the Eastern Branch, on a line with the proposed extension of Pennsylvania avenue, is in the same difficulty as West Brook

Twining City was sub-divided and platted last summer and about 200 building lots were sold at good prices, and it was believed at the time the lots were sold that the sub-division had been or would be recorded. Messrs, Richard Smith and Charles Elliott, the trustees of the estate, called on Captain Symons to-day and urged that he approve the sub-

He found that the streets are not in alignment with the city streets, and the subdivision, according to the act of August 27 last, is not one that can be re-corded. This subdivision is owned by the Nailor estate, and contains about fifty acres. The plat of this new suburb was printed in The Critic some months ago,

showing its many advantages!
This discovery will cause quite a seusation among the purchasers of lots, as the avenues and streets on the map have no official existence.

THE DISTRICT GOVERNMENT.

Mr. C. B. Hemingway, in a letter to the Commissioners in relation to the proposed revision of the assessment laws, says that "as a citizen and a victim of the incongruity of that system" he wishes to call attention to certain faults. He states that a certain piece of real estate recently purchased by him was assessed at double what it cost him. He appeared before the late board of equalization and made oath to the facts and only succeeded in getting it reduced to about double what it should have been. He says:

especially not subject to interference from any outside quarter; that he have under him such clerical force as is neces-sary, and a permanent board of sub-assessors. Appeals from the acts of the sub-assessors should be made to the assessor, who shall decide those appeals. With the ultimate responsibility thus placed on one official, he could be removed by the appointing power when-ever his incompetency or misconduct was shown, and, under such circum-stances, it is probable there would be but few occasions for citizens to appeal to the courts. I also suggest that the as-sessments be made annually or hieraisessments be made annually or biennially, instead of triennially.

There is a bill in Congress to prevent the erection of tenement houses in alleys. The Commissioners will recommend that in lieu of the bill that the building regulations be changed so as to prevent the erection of houses in alleys that are not paved, sewered and supplied with Potomac water.

Charles H. Bowen, M. D., has suggested to the Commissioners that Mount Vernon Square be changed to a circle.

He says a circle at this point would be more appreciated by the people living in the West End than the present square.

The railroad tracks crossing Seventh and K and Ninth and K streets are the cause

of numbers of breakdowns. The application of Robert C. Holtzman for a barroom license, at 1412 New York

avenue, was reconsidered and approved by the Commissioners to-day. C. H. Glodden has been granted a permit to erect a dwelling, 309 E street, to

THE PILOTS' ASSOCIATION.

cost \$2,500.

A Conference This Afternoon to Discus-Their Affairs.

The sixth annual convention of the American Pilots' Association was held at the Harris House this afternoon, President Captain Henry Harbinson presiding. The meeting is in conformity with the settled policy of the pilots of both coast and gulf ports, wholdesire the present method of permitting each State to control the pilotage laws within its own territory, and who deprecate the interfer-ence of Congress in what they feel is

In January, 1888, the association had a hearing before the House Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries, and met to-day to perfect their plan outlined. whereby they can have immunity Congressional interference in their af-The association also considered technical questions involving the greater safety of shipping when in the pilot's

charge.
After fully discussing the questions presented and learning the favorable con-dition of their interest before Congress, the association adjourned, and the members leave to day for their homes.

QUAY AND HISCOCK MEET.

The Consultations in Indianapolis the Topics Discussed.

Senator Hiscock and Senator Quay met this afternoon on the floor of the Senate for the first time since Mr. Hiscock's return from Indianapolis. Mr. Hiscock was talking with Congressman Weber, of New York, when he caught sight of Mr. Quay sitting near him.

"How are you?" asked Mr. Hiscock.
"When did you get back?" returns returned Mr. Quay, and they shook hands across the form of Mr. Weber.

A few minutes later Mr. Weber left the chamber, and Mr. Quay and Mr. Hiscock held a brief conference. True

to his reputation, Mr. Quay permitted Mr. Hiscock to do most of the talking. It did not take a long time for him to tell all that he had learned in Indianapolis Pork Packers Barned Out ROCK ISLAND, ILL., Jan. 8 .- The port packing establishment of J. S. Gillmore, inluding contents and machinery, burned yesterday morning. The principal loss was 200 drussed hogs and 2,000 pounds of lard. The illumination made by the fire was the greatest ever seen here. The western pair of Rock Island and Davenport, across the river, were so lighted up that a newspaper could be read in the streets, though, at the time, the darkness would otherwise have been intens. The

less would otherwise have been intense. The oss is \$11,000.

CARTHAGE, ILL., Jan. 8.-Norman Carter the victim of the assault near Clayton, Ill. died Saturday night. Andrew and Frank Jackson enticed Carter into their cabin Friday. While talking in an apparently friendly way, one of the Jacksons, it is said, struck Carter in the back of the head with an After the mutilation Carter was dragged into the woods and left to die.

Mr. Blaine spent the day in making propara-tions for the reception of his family, due rour Augusta to-morrow, over the Pennsylvania Road. A favored few called and were re-ceived, but the great mass of callers were sent away disappointed.

DISCUSSING LOCAL EVILS

QUARTERLY MEETING OF THE DIS TRICT W. C. T. U.

The Memorial Favoring the Sunday Rest Bill Indorsed-Reports Rend-The New Officers of the Association.

The ladies of the District W. C. T. U. held their quarterly meeting in Wesley Chapel this morning. A score or two of carnest workers were present when Mrs. Judge Clark began the session, after an ppening prayer by Rev. Dr. Wright, by cading of a chapter from the Bible. At one side of the platform was a table covered with temperance literature of various sorts, and Mrs. Dean and Mrs. Drake presided over the table. Mrs. Shelton, the secretary, sat at one side of

the speaker's desk.

After Mrs. Clark finished reading.
Mrs. Dean led in an earnest good-hearted,
motherly prayer, for strength to put down the rum traffic, and Rev. Dr. Wright spoke a few words of welcome and encouragement in their good work to the ladies. Mrs. La Fetra, the president, then made a short address and the roll call showed that there were thirtynine members present.

Mrs. Shelton then read the minutes of the last meeting and also the proceedings of the Executive Committee's meeting.
The Executive Committee adopted a protest to the President against the cus-tom of having wines at the Inauguration ball, and, at its meeting this morning, the Union earnestly ratified the com-

Mrs. Wrightman read the report of the work among soldiers and sailors and it showed a most profitable quarter's work. One of the things Mrs. Wrightman was most proud of was that Gen-eral Schofield's promise had been gained, that there shall be no saloon at the Soldier's Home. There are saloons at nearly every Soldiers' Home and the ladies are very glad that the one at the Home near this city is abolished.

A rising vote of thanks was given General Schofield by the ladies this morning. The report showed that 111 sol-dier and sailor meetings had been held during the quarter; 14,910 pages of tracts were distributed; 207 signed the pledge; \$995,38 was disbursed; eighty-four visits were paid; two persons were supplied work; 218 men registered at the home; 517 meals were supplied, and lodging was furnished 251 persons. Mrs. Catlin, who represented the W. C. T. U. at the Sabbath Convention, told how that branch of the work was being prosecuted. She is circulating petitions for the abolition of Sunday work for the Government in the Railway Mail Service.

Mrs. Catlin's report was adopted and vote of thanks was given her. Mrs. Catlin and several assistants who volunteered this morning are going to begin to-morrow to prepare for presenta-tion to Congress of the 13,000,000 name petitions that were used to drape the Foundry Church during the meetings of the Sunday Convention.

Mrs. Sallie Denham then read the re-

port of the work of the flower depart-ment and it was accepted.

Mrs. Dean then read the report of her quarter's work as superintendent of the department of literature, and then

At this afternoon's session the following reports were read:
On "Heredity and Hygiene," by Mrs. A. E. On "Herealty and Hygiene," by Mrs. A. E. Bovee; on "Juvenile and Sunday School," by Mrs. Alfred Wood; on "Social Purity," by Mrs. M. N. Hoener; on "Suppression of Impure Literature," by Mrs. Annie E. Whitney; on "Unfermented Wine," by Mrs. E. W. Knowles, 1336 Eighth street northwest; on "Young Woman's Work," by Mrs. H. B. Moulton, 1524 Ninth street northwest; on "Work Amone Foreigners," by Mrs. Hannie,

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The new District officers are: President, Mrs. S. D. LaFetra; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Ledia H. Tillton; treasurer, Mrs. W. G. McDowell; District organizer, Mrs. T. A. Williams; assistant organizer, Mrs. Annie E. Bovee; auditor, Mrs. Emma Shelton; vice-presidents—Chapin Union, Mrs. M. E. Cohen; West End Union, Mrs. G. W. Grimes; East Washington Union, Mrs. E. A. Mecker; Northstreet Baptist Union, Mrs. Rosetta E. Lawson; Zion Baptist Union, Miss Maria L. Jordan; Israel M. E. Church Union, Mrs. L. E. Philips; North Capitol Union, Mrs. Magrie B. Platt; Lincoln Memorial Union, Mrs. Magrie B. Platt; Lincoln Memorial Union, Mrs. Magrie B. Platt; Lincoln Memorial Union, Mrs. Magrie B. Mary J. Ryder. Moore; South Washington Union, Mrs Mary J. Ryder.

Provision for Express Cars. JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Jan. 8 .- In the State Senate yesterday a bill was introduced providing that whenever any express company makes application to the officers of any rail-road company for facilities to carry on busi read, company for facilities to carry on business on the line of such read, it shall be the duty of the railroad company to furnish proper cars and arrangements for the business of such express company, and it shall be no excuse for not making such provisions that there is already an express company doing business on such road. Penalties are provided for violation, and enforcement of the provisions of the bill is made the duty of the Railroad Commissioners.

Railroad Commissioners. Why General Grosvenor Was Removed CHICAGO, Jan. 8 .- A Tribune special from Columbus, O., says: It is stated on the best of authorities that a resolution will be offered in the Legislature immediately after the opening of the session to-day calling for an investiga-tion into the reasons for the removal of Gen rai Charles H. Grosvenor from the Beard of Trustees of the Xenia Soldiers' and Sallors' Orphans' Home. It is claimed by the friends of General Grosvenor that Governor Foraker transcended the authority given him by the constitution and the laws.

Land Acquired by Fraud. Thomas F. Howard left here yesterday morning in charge of the sheriff of Duluth. Howard is a member of the real estate firm of How-ard & Kearney of this city. Howard and Lovett were taken on a requisition to answer at Duluth a charge of fraud and forgery in the sale of forty acres of Sioux City suburban property to one Cummings of Duluth. It is alleged that they had no litle whatever to the land which they sold.

Shot at Drunken Toughs ROCKFORD, ILLS., Jan 8.—Saturday night tiee. Hamilton, a colored porter employed on the Chicago & Iowa road, shot- and seriously

Late Dispatches Condensed. George Keefer, treasurer of the Keefer Mill-ing Company, of Covington, Ky., has disap-peared, and it is rumored that he is a defaulter pearest, and it is framered that he is a defaulter tor a large amount of money.

The police steamer George Meliane this morning captured two more syster pirates.

J. J. West and Joseph Dunlop of the Chi-cago Times were sued to day by D. C. C. P. Silva, for \$50,000 for libel, in charging that the doctor consented to perform a criminal opera-tion.

hit Buttolph. He will not be prosecuted.

A NOVEL BANQUET.

A Local Bank Dines and Wines Its Depositors.

The spacious auditorium of Masonic Hall, at Ninth and F streets, was crowded to-day with the depositors of the Columbia National Bank, who were present in force to hear the reading of the annual report of the bank's business for the past year and to take part in the annual election of directors for the present year.

President B. H. Warner called the meeting to order and was supported

upon the stage by many well-known leading citizens, who are interested in the bank. After the reading of the report and the election of fifteen directors. one of whom is Hon. Hugh McCullough ex-Secretary of the Treasury, the real surprise of the occasion was sprung on the audience. It was in the nature of an invitation to join the officers of the bank in a five luncheon which they had spread in the dining hall attached to the

Three tables, each the length of the hall, were covered with everything in the edible line dear to the palate of the critical, and the manner in which it was all made to appear as the seat of a recent cyclone testified forcibly to the thorough appreciation of the depositors.

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BEER AND A PISTOL. What the Pittsburg Police Found This Morning.

PITTSBURG, PA., Jan. 8.-At 1:30 o'clock this morning Police Lieutenant Snyder heard a pistol shot m the residence of Albert Davis, No. 80 Frankstown avenue, East End. On entering the house Sny-der discovered the body of Davis lying at the foot of the stairs dead with a bul-let hole in his head.

In one of the rooms the officers found a woman named Carrie Palmer and a little colored girl named Nellie White in their nightelothes. A revolver and a number of empty beer bottles were found on a table. Carrie Palmer refused to give the officers any information.

The officers are confident, however, that she committed the murder. Nellie White had been asleep and was awakened by the shot in time to see Davis fall down the stairs, but knew nothing of the circumstances leading to the tragedy.

They Leave Melbourne-A Team in Training There. MELBOURGE, Jan. 8.—The North Ger-

OUR BALL-PLAYERS.

man Lloyd steamer Salier left port at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, having on board the Chicago and All-America Base-ball teams and the American correspondents who came here with them. Mr Simpson of New York remained in Melbourne to train a local team in baseball, with a view of having it travel and play

in the United States next summer.
The Salier will touch at Adetaide, and it is probable that a game will be played there. After that the programme is to play in Calcutta and other points in India, in Cairo and Alexandria, in Egypt; is Rome, Monte Carlo, Vienna, Paris and as many points in England and Ireland as possible

Chief Arthur to Resign.

YORK, Jan. S .- A Herald special from Sleveland, O., says it is learned there that Chief Engineer Arthur of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, intends to resign his office at the expiration of his present term, which will be some time this spring. The notes and checks and \$190 in cash taken. The reason given is that the present policy of the safe breakers were evidently experts, as they brotherhood, especially as regards the management of the Burlington strike, is not and has not been in accord with his views. Mr. Arthur is considered a rich man and is not in need of the salary attached to the office. need of the salary attached to the office.

A Herald special from San Francisco says:
Regarding the report that Chief Arthur is
coming to California to see about the discharge of an engineer in the employ of the
Southern Pacific, and the possible ordering of
a strike on that road, J. A. Fillmore, general
superintendent of that road, says: "There is
the transfer that the contents."

no truth in the report that the engineers in the Southern system have a grievance." Reports Denounced as Sensational. ers of Walsh County, D. T., now in session, strongly condemn the sensational accounts of destitution west of Park River. They desire the fullest publicity given to the fact that no complaints have been made to them and they do hot know of any such suffering.

Thirty-Six Horses Incinerated. Madison, Nes., Jan. 8 .- Thirty-six horses belonging to George Loser, a liveryman, were burned to death yesterday morning. The barn and several buggies were destroyed, together with the agricultural implement house of H. H. Fuller, and the residence of Charles Gross. Loss \$12,000.

They Will go on a Strike.

New York, Jan. 8 .- It is understood that ,000 employes in the carpet factory of E. S. Higgins & Co. of this city will go out on a strike to-day on account of the firm's declining to restore wages to what they were before the recent reduction of 12½ per cent.

The Dakota House Organized. BISMAROK, D. T., Jan. 8 .- The caucus of the Republican members of the House nominated Hosmer Keith, a Sioux Falls lawyer, last night for speaker on the first ballot. The Republi-can members of the council nominated Smith Stimmel a farmer and a cousin of J. G. Blaine; for chairman.

They Will Resume Their Work COLUMBUS, IND., Jan. 8.—Will Kennedy, a young man here, has been warned in a letter signed "Whitecaps" to take better care of his children. This indicates that the regulators are to resume their work of chastisement in Southern Indiana, after a quiet of several

AT THE HOTELS.

Colonel Samuel D. Craig, Detroit; Mr. and Mrs. Wells, Chicago; T. F. Brogan, New York; W. F. Elliott, Hamilton, Ohio; A. B. Conditt and D. E. Frank, Chicago, are at the P. W. Herzog, Minneapolis, Minn.; Alfred Adams, Cleveland, Ohio, Charles N. Judson, Brookiyn, N. Y.; L. B. Hedges, Illinois, are at Willard's.

W. Power, Toronto, Ont.; Miss M. and Miss A. Byrne, Jacksonville, Fla., and Hou. John S. McShane, Omaha, are at the Riggs House. J. J. Storron, the well-known lawyer of Bos-ton, is at Welcker's.

Dorman B. Eaton, ex Civil Service Commis-ioner, John L. Cadwaiader, and H. R. Kent, ew York, are at Wormley's. J. K. McCracken and wife, Louisville: John M. Thurston, Omaha: J. L. Kirkiaudand wife and A. Percy Kirkland, New York, are at the

wounded Oscar Buttoight During tile carry part of the evening. Hamilton had been in-sulted by a crowd of drunken toughs, and, supposing they were breaking in his house after he had retired, shot through the door and M. J. O'Brien of New York, president of the Southern Express Company, is at Chamber-John Lynch, Wilkesbarre, Pa.; Charles J. Gidden and wife, Lowell, Mass.; Brewster Cameron, Tucson, Ariz.; E. L. Bidwell, Bos-ton, and Thomas W. Sanderson, Youngstown, Ohio, are at Welcker's.

Hon. F. C. Brunnell, Pennsylvania; Hon. J. D. Gallinger, New Hampshire, are at the S. J. Rodick of the hotel at Bar Harbor is at Wthe St. James. E. A. Decker, New York, and F. M. Barker,

thing; so the others were not used for po-litical effect.

Osgoodby has the original copy of his letter to West stuck under the carpet of his bedroom. He claims to have a letter there, too, which he received from Mr. Cleveland in reply to one he wrote the President, but he will not divulge its

thing; so the others were not used for po-

Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 8.—Mr. Os-goodby, the author of the famous Murchison letter, whose identity became known yesterday, claims that he did not have any conception of the political im-portance of the letter until within a few days of the publication of the corres-pondence. He says that when he did realize its significance, he was alarmed by the thought of the far-reaching effects and possible consequences to himself. and possible consequences to himself.
After conferring with friends and his
attorney, P. C. Toner, and W. A. Beil,
it was decided to make the letters public,
and, on the 19th of October, Mr. Bell
brought the letters to Los Angeles.
He placed them in the hands of Judge
W. F. Fitzgerald, member of the Repub-

lican State Central Executive Committee; Henry T. Gage, delegate to the Republiflenry T. Gage, delegate to the Republican National Convention, and Colonel H. G. Otis, editor of the Times. These three decided to publish the letters without reference to the State or National committees, as the campaign was then far advanced, and delay was deemed unadvisable. The Los Angeles Times actions of the convention of the c cordingly published them on October 21, and from this paper they soon were published throughout the States.

Tae Indiana Democrats' Programme, New York, Jan. 8.—The Sun's Indianapo-lis correspondent says the Democratic State Senators, in caucus last night, determined not to allow laeutenant Governor Robertson to preside at the organization of the Senate on Thursday, and to use force if necessary to prevent him from taking the chair. They also made arrangements to keep him from presiding over the joint meeting of the Legislature of Monday to count the vote for Governor and Lieutenant-Governor, and to put the Speaker of the House in the chair at that time. Robertson declares that he will insist upon his rights, and the Republican Senators will back him. A repetition of the scenes of violence that marked the session two years ago is probable. Senators, in caucus last night, determined not

A Safe Opened and Robbed. KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 8.—The safe of the Woolson Spice Company, No. 421 Sixth street, and hit the lock the first time. The boilt was shot and then the door was opened. The first thing known of the robbery was when the book-keeper came in yesterday morning. The firm will lose only the \$189 in cash, as all the

checks. Fatal Quarrel Among the Boys. VIENNA, ILL., Jan. S .- An altercation arose between Charley Arnett and Johnnie Bridges at the Bridge school-house, three miles west of here yesterday afternoon, in which Arnett shot Bridges. The latter will probably die. Both boys are grown up and belong to well-

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

The Stock and Money Market, NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—Money 4 per cent. Exchange steady; posted rates, 48516489; actual rates, 4842@485 for sixty days and

actual rates, 4842@485 for sixty days and
4834@4882 for demand. Governments quiet;
currency, 6s. 119 bid; 4s, coupons, 125 bid;
44s, do.,1082 bid.

The stock market opened feverish and weak
and on selling by London and the room
traders, prices declined à to 2 per cent. during the first hour. Since 11 o'clock the market has been extremely duil, but prices have
been will supported and at this writing most
of the early decline has been recovered.

1 p. m. prices.—W. U., S34; N. Y. C., 1072;
N. J. C., 972; Mich. 872; U. P., 642; Mo., 722;
N. Pac.,—: do. pfd.,—; Tex., 224; C. P., N. J. C., 974; Mich. 878; U. P., 644; Mo., 732; N. Pac., —; do. pfd., —; Tex., 22k; C. P., 52k; D. & H., 131; D. L. & W., 140k; Fric. 272; do. pfd., 612; K. & T., —; L. S., 1032; O. & W., 147; L. & N., 562; N. W., 1078; do. pfd., 1402; P. M., 362; Reading, 484; R. I., 974; O. & M., 224; do. pfd., 84; 8t, Paul, 684; do. pfd., 1034; N. & C., 824; Wabash, 124; do. pfd., 24; B. & Q., 1084; Man., 99; O. & N., 92; O. & T., 304; C., C., C. I., 574; P. D.

The Chicago Market. Chicago, Jan. 8.—Opening, 9:30 a. m.t Wheat—May, 1.05½. Corn—Jan., 35½; Feb., Wheat—May, 1.002; Coll—Jain, 305; Feb., 844; March, 854; May, 37; Oats—May, 28; Pork—May, \$13,45; Lard—Jain, \$7,374; March, \$7,524; May, \$7,625; Short Ribs—Jain, \$6,85; Feb., \$6,85; March, \$7,00; May, \$7,024.

The Washington Stocks. Miscellaneous Bonds—W. & G. R. R., 198; Masonic Hall Ass'n, 196; Wash, Market Co., 115; Inland & Seabord Co., —; Wash, Light Infantry, 1st, 95; Wash, Light Infantry, 2d, 45; Wash, Gas Light Co., 120; Wash, Gas 45; Wash, Gas Light Co., 1309; Wash, Gas Scrip, 1224. National Bank Stocks—Bank of Washing-ton, 300; Bank of Republic, 170; Metropolitan, 200; Central, 200; Second, —, Farmers' and Mechanics', 163; Citizens', 125; Columbia,

121.
Railroad Stocks—Washington and Georgetown, 208. Metropolitan, 109s; Columbia, 31;
Cap. & North O st., 35; Anacosta, 10.
Insurance Stocks—Firemen's, 39; Franklin;
40; Metropolitan, 71; National Union, 19,
Arlington, 160; Comoran, 60; Columbia, 122;
German American, 155; Potomac, 70; Riggs, 8,
Gas and Electric Light Stocks—Washington
Gas, 40; Georgetown Gas, 45; U. S. Electric
Light, 60.

Telephone Stocks—Pennsylvania, 31; Chesa-peake & Potomac, 78; Miscellaneous Stocks—Washington Market Co., 16; Washington Brics Machine Co., 106; National Press Brick Co., —; Great Falls Ice Co., 145; Bull Run Panerama Co., 20; Real Estate Title Insurance Co., 115; Columbia Title Insurance Co., 52; National Safe De-posit Co., —; American Graphophone Co., 14.

Sales at Drover's Rest.

Yesterday's sales at Drovers' Rest were: One hundred and thirteen cattle up and sold. Best, 41c(644) good, 416(44); medium, 52(63); common, 21(63). Two hundred and seventy sheep and lambs. Sheep, 31(642c; Lambs, 416(6); Caives, 54(65); lifteen cows and caives, 52(633). Market, brick

Local Weather Indications. Fair: slightly warmer: winds southerly, followed Wednesday by rain.